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THIRD ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM, AUTUMN 1975

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SUMMARY: THIRD ANNUAL LPPSD SYMPOSIUM TENTATIVELY
SCHEDULED FOR EARLY NOVEMBER 1975. MISSION RECOMMENDS
THAT US AS PILOT COUNTRY CONSIDER SEEKING TO MOVE
MEETING AHEAD SOME WEEKS IN ORDER THAT IT PRECEDE
MID-OCTOBER CCMS FALL PLENARY, THEREBY TAKING FULLER
ADVANTAGE THIS YEAR OF INSTRUMENTALITY THAT CCMS PROVIDES
TO HIGHLIGHT IMPORTANCE OF COOPERATION IN FIELD AND TO
MAINTAIN LPPSD MOMENTUM. END SUMMARY.

1. REPS OF LPPSD/MOU SIGNATORIES AT SECOND LPPSD
SYMPOSIUM IN DUSSELDORF LAST NOVEMBER (REF A)
TENTATIVELY DECIDED HOLD NEXT ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM AS CALLED FOR IN
MOU, IN EARLY NOVEMBER 1975. OUR INITIAL REACTION TO THIS
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TIMING WAS THAT FULL YEAR SEEMED REASONABLE MINIMUM LEAD-TIME
TO MOUNT ANOTHER MAJOR TECHNICAL CONFERENCE SUCH AS IN DUSSELDORF.
ON REFLECTION, HOWEVER, WE WOULD SUGGEST SLIGHTLY
EARLIER DATES. WE UNDERSTAND PRESENT PLANS FOR

1975 LPPSD ANNUAL EVENT CALL FOR GATTHERING ON MORE LIMITED SCALE THIS YEAR THAN HERETOFORE, DEVOTING THIS SESSION TO EXCHANGE OF VIEWS AND INFO ON POLICY AND PROGRAM DEVELOPMENTS PRIMARILY AMONG GOVERNMENT REPS, ALTHOUGH ALLOWING FOR SOME INDUSTRIAL PARTICIPATION ON NATIONAL DELS IN ORDER REINFORCE POSSIBLE PLANNING ARRANGEMENTS AMONG LPPSD PARTICIPANTS FOR SPECIFIC JOINT R&D PROJECTS IN FIELD. MEANWHILE LONGER TERM PREPARATIONS COULD GET UNDERWAY FOR SUBSEQUENT SYMPOSIUM IN 1976, REVERTING AFTER THIS GREATER INTERVAL TO ORIGINAL, MORE AMBITIOUS LPPSD TECHNICAL CONFERENCE AND EXPOSITION FORMAT, A LA 1973 IN ANN ARBOR AND 1974 IN DUSSELDORF, WITH MORE EXTENSIVE INDUSTRY INVOLVEMENT, GREATER VISIBILITY AND CONSEQUENT IMPACT ON INDUSTRY AND PUBLIC.

2. INASMUCH AS SCOPE OF LPPSD EVENT NOW IN PROSPECT FOR 1975 ACCORDINGLY WOULD REQUIRE LESS ELABORATE PREPARATION, IT WOULD SEEM FEASIBLE, IN OUR VIEW, TO MOVE IT AHEAD A FEW WEEKS TO EARLY OCTOBER, PRIOR TO CCMS FALL PLENARY (USUALLY HELD IN MID-OCTOBER). THIS WOULD ENABLE US AS PILOT COUNTRY TO INCLUDE 1975 SYMPOSIUM HIGHLIGHTS AMONG LATEST LPPSD DEVELOPMENTS IN ITS PROGRESS REPORT ON SUBJECT AT CCMS FALL PLENARY; FOR INCORPORATION IN TURN INTO SECRETARY GENERAL'S ANNUAL CCMS PROGRESS REPORT THIS YEAR TO THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL AND, ULTIMATELY, TO MINISTERS AT THEIR DECEMBER 1975 MEETING. THUS LPPSD PARTICIPANTS, AND ESPECIALLY US AS PILOT COUNTRY, COULD MAKE MORE EFFECTIVE AND TIMELY USE THIS YEAR OF INSTRUMENTALITY PROVIDED BY CCMS TO EMPHASIZE IMPORTANCE OF COOPERATION IN LPPSD FIELD AND TO MAINTAIN ITS MOMENTUM, WHILE LOOKING AHEAD TO 1976 AND BEYOND. BRUCE

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